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Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2003, please amend the
above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendment to the specification: none.

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Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 3 of the present response.

Amendments to the drawings: none.

Applicants' remarks and arguments traversing the rejection by the Examiner are found on page 5 of the present submission.